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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kenro HIRATA

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FOR: SIGNAL PROCESSING DEVICE IN MULTIPLEX COMMUNICATION SYSTEM  
AND SIGNAL PROCESSING METHOD FOR THE SYSTEM

**DECLARATION OF Kenro HIRATA**

I, **Kenro HIRATA**, am the **Sole** inventor of the above-identified application which is the national phase of International PCT Application No. **PCT/JP00/02046**, filed **30 March 2000**.

It has been brought to my attention that my **last** name was spelled incorrectly in the International application due to an error in translation. Specifically, my **last** name was spelled "HITARA." My true and correct name is **Kenro HIRATA**, which has been set forth on the Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition filed **29 November 2001**.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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